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Unlocated Installations

- 1. In a building on Valdemara iela, opposite the drama theater, there was formerly an office concerned with the administration of the river fleet. In 1955 the building was occupied by a naval office. The Riga Higher Military School for Coast Artillery, a naval school, was located on Noliktavas iela, near the Citadel. On Kronvalda bulvars, opposite the anatomy building of the Latvian University, was another naval school; this building housed another type of school previously. Many Chinese and Koreans were studying in military schools in Riga. The former repair shops of the Latvian Army, called Arsenals, located along the railroad to Rigas Jurmalas in Tornakalns, were used by the Soviet Army. In 1956, extensive excavations were carried out in the undeveloped land near the workshops, and it appeared that the workshops were being enlarged. A large depot for discarded army and naval materiel was located in Sarkandaugava on the bank opposite Kundzin Island.
- 2. An AAA installation consisting of 20 to 30 guns was located near Lake Velna, between Lake Velna and Lake Juglas, north of Riga. The guns were covered with camouflage netting, and small radar antennas similar to those in Bolderaja were located in the area. Military construction units were occupied with the reconstruction of the large trade union building which was burned down during the war; the building was at Keninu and Audeju ielas. On Sarlotes iela, almost facing Kareivju iela, was a small radar antenna. A radar antenna was also located on the square surrounded by Kandavas, Sampetera, Kalnciema, and Zolitudes ielas. A radio station was built on the northwest shore of Baltezers Lake, north of Riga; it was rumored that this station transmitted directly to Moscow.
- 3. In August 1956 a submarine was observed in Riga which was streamlined and twice as long as the submarines usually observed in Riga. The conning tower was streamlined and there were no railings, armament, or wires on the hull. This submarine was in and out of Riga several times.

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Legend to Map

- 1. Wooden wharf and concrete ramp for naval motor boats; about 30 of these vessels were hidden in the adjacent forest. The ramp was slanted diagonally upward and joined onto the wharf; the boats were in a row on the ramp. There was no building on the landing, and no guard was observed. A-2.
- 2. Restricted military area surrounded by a wooden fence; a pass was required of persons entering the area. Naval workshops were located in this installation, and barracks for workers were located in the area. Most of the workers were Great Russians and all were civilians. One of the workshops contained machinery including five or six welding apparatus and drills. Double-cone metal buoys about two to three meters long were produced in the workshops in summer 1956. It was not determined whether or not shins were repaired in the area. B-0.
- 3. Naval harbor at Bolderaja. C-1.
- 4. New, steel drawbridge across the Bullupe River, for railroad, vehicle, and pedestrian traffic. C-O.
- Workers' settlement of the Silicate Brick Plant (Silikatu kiegelu rupnica) in Bolderaja. C-1.
- 6. Silicate Brick Plant. C-1.
- 7. Former army sapper barracks, which had AA positions with small radar antenna around them. C-1.
- 8. Apartment houses belonging to the Silicate Brick Plant. C-1.
- 9. Lignums Plywood Factory. D-1.
- 10. Serology station (serumstacija). C-3.
- 11. Army ordnance depot, with a radar installation nearby. C-4.
- 12. A military installation with a transmitter or direction-finding apparatus. B-4.
- 13. Radio station. C-5.
- 14. Jamming station, somewhere in this area, not precisely located. D-4.
- 15. New airport terminal building. D-4.
- 16. Cement factory. D-4.
- 17. A large, new structure, use unknown. D-4.
- 18. Concrete construction factory (Betona konstrukciju fabrika). D-4.
- 19. Army automobile repair plant, probably in the former Tannhauser Brewery; this may have been a repair shop for jet aircraft engines. D-4, 5.
- 20. Dzeguzkalns Park. D-4
- 21. Pulka military barracks, formerly used by the Latvian Air Force, now occupied by a motorized unit. D-5.
- 22. Botanical gardens. D-5
- 23. St. Martin's Church. D-5.
- 24. Ispolkom, possibly of Lenin Rayon, at the southern corner of Martina and \$10kas ielas. D-5.
- 25. Army vehicle repair shops, built by army construction units. C-6.

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- 26. Zasulauks railroad station. C-5.
- Militia office, in the former 11th Police Precinct office, at the beginning of Daugavgrivas iela. D-5.
- 28. Civil Aviation School (Letnoye uchilishche grazhdanskogo vozdushnogo flota) in some buildings between Kalnciema, Setas, and Meza ielas, and Ranka dambis; possibly two such schools were located in this area. A radar antenna was located on a tower of this school. D-5.
- 29. Headquarters of the water militia, formerly the piers and terminal building of the Riga Agenskalns boat service. D-5.
- 30. Ship repair yard. E-5.
- 31. Militia office, in the former 10th Police Precinct office, at the beginning of Kugu iela. E-5.
- 32. Vehicle repair shop, on Margrietas iela. D-6.
- 33. Television transmitter with a 180-meter-high mast, at the northern corner of the Agenskalns market. D-6.
- 34. Ispolkom, possibly of Sarkanarmijas Rayon, at the corner of M. Nometmu and Meistara ielas. D-6.
- 35. Riga-Rigas Jurmala electric railroad. D-6.
- Radio Plant i/n A.S. Popov, formerly Radiotechnika Radio Factory, on Radiotechnikas (formerly Muksalas) iela. E-6.
- 37. Cement Components Plant (Cementa detalu rupnica), north of Buru iela. E-6.
- 38. A new bridge. E-6.
- 39. Army radio station. Tank tracks observed in the area. F-7.
- 40. Emplacements of 12 AA guns. AA guns were also located on Lucavsala and the A-B dam, a quay projecting from the west bank of the Daugava in Klivvisala. E-6.
- 41. Concrete road and wharf for naval motorboats, similar to No. 1 above. C-00.
- 42. Shipbuilding yard for fishing boats, and fishing harbor. E-1.
- 43. Sawmill, established by combining machinery from the Milmanis Sawmill and other enterprises. E-1.
- 44. Underground military command post; there were said to be about ten of these bunkers in Riga, and five or six more outside the city limits. The bunkers were built by civilian construction organizations; workers stated that the bunkers had parquet floors. The purpose of these bunkers had not been determined. E-1.
- 45. A number of two- to four-story apartment houses in a large workers' settlement belonging to the shipbuilding yards in Vecmilgravis. E-1.
- 46. Apartment houses built by German PW's. E/F-1.
- 47. Shipbuilding yards in Vecmilgravis, which repaired ships and built tugboats for the Soviet Navy. E-1.
- 48. Two floating dry docks received from Germany as reparations; one of these had a capacity of 8,000 10,000 tons; the other was smaller. E/F-1.
- 49. A railroad and highway bridge which had been repaired. F-1.

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- 50. Superphosphate factory with a steel chimney; the factory was enlarged in 1955-1956. F-1.
- 51. A large naval storage depot, possibly including workshop; small naval vessels were often at anchor here, including a number of old submarines undergoing repairs. F-1.
- 52. Latvian scrap metal collection area (Latvijas metalu savaksanas vieta); the scrap was shipped to foundries by rail. F-1.
- 53. Degviela POL storage and refinery area. F-2.
- 54. A building believed to be used by the Army. F-2.
- 55. A transformer station in Milgravis, with high-voltage lines on metal towers leaving the station toward the west and southeast. F-2.
- 56. A new railroad spur, branching off from the Milgravis railroad line and going to the Riga Electromechanical Factory (REZ). E/F-2.
- 57. Planned location of a bridge between Sarkandaugava and Kundzin Island. E-2.
- 58. Military radio station, with metal masts 20 to 30 meters high. E-2.
- 59. New railroad bridge affording access to the REZ factory. E-2
- 60. Model railroad line for children. F-2.
- 61. Concrete runway for seaplanes. H-2/3.
- 62. Naval aviation school; jet aircraft were observed here. H-2/3.
- 63. Concrete runway for seaplanes. H-1/2.
- 64. Military training installation with a drill ground; believed to be used by MVD troops. H/I-1.
- 65. Tank training area. J-1/2
- 66. Former Bukulti Manor; many new buildings, including a club and barracks, were erected here. The tank regiment of the Latvian Division was stationed here. J-2.
- 67. New railroad spur. I/J-2/3.
- 68. Steel railroad bridge. I-3.
- 69. Riga thermal power plant (TES) peat storage area. J-2.
- 70. Riga Electromechanical Plant (REZ); production included equipment for submarines.
 E-3.
- 71. Diesel engine plant, under construction; said to be producing diesel engines for submarines. F-3
- 72. Riga Harbor. E-3.
- 73. Underground command post in this area, consisting of two or three stories underground. E-4.
- 74. Recently erected apartment houses for workers in the harbor area. E-4.
- 75. Riga power plant. E-4.
- 76. Military hospital. F-3/4.

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- 77. Automobile Electrical Equipment Plant (Avtoelektropribor) on Klijanu iela, in a former bus garage. F-4.
- 78. Maternity clinic, formerly the German Hospital. F-4.
- 79. Military commissariat. F-4.
- 80. Military barracks with searchlights. F-4.
- 81. Varonis rubber goods factory, in its former location. F-4.
- 82. Radio transmitting and jamming station with two masts about 40 to 50 meters high. F-4.
- 83. Officers' training school, in a building formerly used for the same purpose. F-4.
- 84. Sports stadium which had the same initials as formerly--ASK, which stood for District Sports Club in 1956. F-4.
- 85. Ispolkom of Preletariesu Rayon. F-4.
- 86. Municipal Hospital area, formerly the First Municipal Hospital of Riga. F-4.
- 87. Militia office, at the corner of Sarkanas Armijas iela and Skilas iela, in the former 3rd Police Precinct office. F-4.
- 88. Quarters for MVD officials, on the northwest side of Gorkija (Valdemara) iela between Kiegelu and Hanzas ielas. F-4.
- 89. Newly erected gasoline station, as large as all other Riga gasoline stations combined; located on the north corner of Sporta and Grostonas ielas. F-4.
- 90. MVD garages, on Dzirnavu iela at Ganu iela. E-4.
- 91. Army garages, on Sverdlova (Pulkveza Brieza) iela between Hanzas and Elizabetes ielas. E-4.
- 92. Residence of the premier of the Latvian SSR, Vilis Lacis, in the apartment house near the western corner of Kirova (Elizabetes) iela and Pulkveza Brieza iela. E-5.
- 93. Residence of the First Secretary of the Latvian Communist Party, Janis Kalnberzins, on the north side of Elizabetes iela, between Strelnieku and Antonijas (Leona Paegles) ielas. E-5.
- 94. Long-distance telephone exchange, on the south corner of Dzirnavu and Strelnieku ielas. E-4/5.
- 95. Ispolkom of Stalina Rayon, on the north corner of J. Allunana iela and Ralpaka bulvars. E-5.
- 96. A military installation, possibly MVD, on the southeast side of J. Allunana iela, between A. Pumpura iela and Kalpaka bulvars; the entrance was guarded. E-5.
- 97. Building where political indoctrination of officers of field-grade and above was carried out; located on the north corner of Kalpaka bulvars and Valdemara iela. E-5.
- 98. Unidentified installation with many telephone wires; located on the east corner of J. Allunana and A. Pumpura ielas, in the former headquarters of the Latvian Legion. E-5.
- 99. Baltic Military District headquarters; the outside entrance was not guarded and there was little traffic in and out of this building, but infantry personnel, including officers of general rank, were observed entering the building. The Valdemara iela entrance was used more than the Elizabetes iela entrance. Formerly the Ministry of War. E-5.
- 100. Voyenkomat, on Elizabetes iela between Skolas and Baznicas ielas. E-5. S-E-C-R-E-T 50X1-HUM

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- 101. Special MVD hospital, in the former Red Cross building, on Baznicas iela at the west corner of Lacplesa and Baznicas ielas. E-5.
- 102. Army telephone exchange, near Old St. Gertrud's Church, located in the block between Brivibas and Baznicas, Gertrudes, and Stabu ielas, probably on the north corner of Brivibas and Gertrudes ielas. This building was well frequented.
- 103. New MVD building, located on Stabu iela between Baznicas and Brivibas ielas, across from the MVD building at Stabu iela 12. F-5.
- 104. An Army office, on the northeast side of Stabu iela between Brividas and Terbatas ielas. F-5
- 105. Militia office, located near the north corner of Matisa and Terbatas ielas, in the former office of the 4th Police Precinct. F-5.
- 106. Vidzemes market. F-5.
- 107. Militia office, on Marijas iela at the north corner of Stabu and Marijas ielas. F-5.
- 108. Editorial office of Cina, on the southwest side of Lacplesa iela between Terbatas and Kr. Barona ielas. F-5.
- 109. Ispolkom, possibly of Kirova Rayon, located near the northeast corner of Terbatas and Blaumana ielas, in the former Forestry Department offices. F-5.
- 110. Riga ispolkom, on Raina bulvars at the east corner of Raina bulvars and Reimersa iela. E-5.
- 111. Army radio transmitter, an underground installation. E-5.
- 112. Army printing office, military komendatura, and other offices. E-5.
- 113. Gorkija iela bridge across the Daugaya. E-5.
- 114. Auto inspection office, probably located between L. Pils and M. Pils ielas, on J. Cakstes laukums. E-5.
- 115. New location of the pontoon bridge. E-5.
- 116. New bridge under construction, where the pontoon bridge was located formerly. E-5.
- 117. Militia office, on the northwest side of Kalku iela, at the corner of Kalku and Skunu ielas, in the former office of the 1st Police Precinct. E-5.
- 118. Long-distance telephone exchange, on Audeju iela, at the east corner of Audeju and Kaleju ielas. E-5.
- 119. Militia directorate, on Aspazijas bulvars at 13 Janvara iela. E-5.
- 120. New bus terminal under construction, between the halls of the Central Kolkhoz Market and the Daugava River. E-5.
- 121. Army warehouses, in the block between Maskavas, Krasta, and Turgeneva ielas, in the area known formerly as Sarkanie spikeri. E-5.
- 122. The future location of the pontoon bridge, when the new bridge (No. 116 above) is finished. E-6.
- 123. An old submarine used for training purposes, anchored along Krasta iela near the mouth of Kojusalas gravis.
- 124. Training area for Soviet Navy divers, on the northwest part of Zvirgdu Island. F-6.

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- 125. Kolkhoznik House, between Gogola, Elijas, Turgeneva, and Puskina ielas. F-5.
- 126. Militia office, located at the north corner of Gogola and Turgeneva ielas, in the offices of the former 6th Police Precinct. F-5.
- 127. Militia office, located on the southwest side of Maskavas iela, between Dricanu and Fridrika ielas. G-6.
- 128. Military barracks and Air Force school, in the barracks of the former Latvian 5th Infantry Regiment, at Samarina and Aiviekstes ielas. This school was called the Riga Red Banner Higher Aviation-Engineering Military School i/n K.Ye. Voroshilov. In the compound were one or two aircraft which apparently were used for training purposes. This school was connected with the building at Valdemara iela 7; possibly a headquarters was located in the latter building, but no guard was posted there. G-6.
- 129. New bus garage, located on Vestienas iela between Vietalvas and Reznas ielas. G-5.
- 130. Restricted area, bordered by Odzienas, Paides, Sesku, Strautu, and Rezeknes ielas, an Air Force training installation; small radar antennae and aircraft were located here, but it could not be an airfield. This installation was established in 1955 or 1956, and was on the Riga-Moscow railroad line between Pildas iela and Lubanas iela. It was surrounded by a high, wooden fence. Piedrujas iela ran through this block but was closed to traffic. G-6.
- 131. Transformer station on the western corner of Lubanas iela and M. Sesku iela; a high-voltage line ran out of this station. G/H-6.
- 132. High-tension line around the transformer station on Lubanas iela. G-6.
- 133. Porcelain factory, formerly Kuznecovs. G-6.
- 134. Airfield, called Kvadrata aerodroms, on the highway to Ogre. H-7.
- 135. Skirotava railroad station. H/I-7.
- 136. Militia office, located northwest of the corner of Rumpmuizas and Strautu ielas. H-5.
- 137. Two municipal gas towers, on the southwest side of Matisa iela near Pernavas iela. G-5.
- 138. Two water towers, west of Matisa Cemetery. G-5.
- 139. Army depot, located in the block formed by Pernavas and Strencu ielas, and the railroad. G-5.
- 140. Baltic Metal Base, located north of the corner of Rumpmuizas iela and Purvciema iela. See No. 145 below. G-5
- 141. Army shipping platform about 200 to 300 meters long. G-5.
- 142. Underground command post which had five stories underground, parquet flooring, and electrical wiring. Construction of this installation required four years, and it was finished in 1954 or 1955. It was located at the southeast corner of the Park of 1905. G-5.
- 143. Military barracks, on Pernavas iela, between Rudolfa and Ata ielas, where an infantry regiment was quartered. G-4.
- 144. Sarkana Zvaigzne Factory, on Brivibas gatve. G-4.
- 145. Possibly the location of the Baltic Metal Base, although it was probably located north of the corner of Rumpmuizas and Purvciema ielas. (See No. 140 above.) G-4.

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- 146. Tank repair shops, at the western corner of Valcu and Trikatas ielas. G-4.
- 147. Club of the VEF factory, a building resembling the Riga State Opera House and located on the north corner of Feniksa and Ropazu ielas. G-4.
- 148. Militia office, in the former offices of the 12th Police Precinct, on the southwest side of Bikernieku iela. G-4.
- 149. Turbine factory, on the western corner of Bikernieku and Burtnieku ielas.
- 150. Motion picture studio under construction, located in the Bikernieku Forest, east of the Leprosarium. H-4.
- 151. New railroad spur, branching off the Riga-Valka railroad line, servicing the TES power plant. H-3.
- 152. Hot water line from TES to Brivibas gatve. H-3.
- 153. Site of the TES, or thermoelectric power station, west of the corner of Ezermalas and Huzara ielas. H/H-3.
- 154. New military barracks on Kisezera iela in Ciekurkalns, between Teraudlietuves iela and 1st Linija; there were two four-story buildings, about 15 by 80 meters in size. Other buildings were still under construction and the approach roads to the barracks were paved. This was not a naval unit.
- 155. Military depot; guns and ammunition were stored in the area, which was west of the corner of Kisezera iela and Kokneses prospekt. This installation was formerly known as Arsenals. G-3.
- 156. Naval aviation school, north of the jute factory. H-3.
- 157. Military barracks, formerly known as Krusta kazarmes; artillery units of the Latvian Division were quartered here. H-3.
- 158. Restricted area, fenced, and guarded by Army personnel; it covered one to two hectares between Babelites Lake and Kisezers Lake, and may have been a fuel storage area. I-3.
- 159. New railroad spur, built to provide peat to the TES. I-3.
- 160. Army vehicle school (sic), on Brivibas gatve, south of the Jugla railroad station; about 50 to 60 vehicles were located here. I-3.
- 161. Proposed location of a new highway bridge across the Liela Jugla River. J-3.
- 162. New workers' settlement of small, one-family houses. I/J-3/4.
- 163. Site of an underground cable installation, laid in summer 1956. Shallow ditches were dug in a crisscross pattern in the forest, and cables laid in the ditches. They were then covered with tile and dirt. Jul.
- 164. Radio Committee, at the corner of Lt. Smilsu and Skunu ielas. II-b.
- 165. Radio jamming station with two towers, located in the eastern section of the Ministry of Finance building erected in the late 1930 s. II-b.
- 166. Probably an MVD office, east of the inner court of the Little Guild.

 This building was well guarded, with guards at the door and in the street; the building was very busy. II-b.
- 167. The former German Embassy, on the north corner of intersection of Raina bulyars and Brivibas bulyars; this building was the headquarters of the Baltic MD, and was still occupied by a military unit, but was not guarded. III-a.

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- 168. On a corner of the intersection of Sula Zirgu iela and Skunn iela was another army office; the guard at this building wore a saber. During the German occupation the military cartographic office was in this building. II-b.
- 169. The former War Museum, in the Powder Tower; this area was occupied by the Riga Nakhimov School, which prepared cadets for entrance into a naval academy. This school included the former Jacob Barracks, and was enlarged by the addition of some buildings on Troksna iela. Troksna iela was closed to traffic. IID

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